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## FILTRATION PLAN SEEMS IN DANGER.

City Officials Regard Proposed Reduction of Water Rates Hostile to Pure-Water Project.

PUBLIC HEARING IS CALLED.

Proposition to Be Taken Up by the Ways and Means Committee of the House of Delegates.

Persons who have closely watched the recent happenings at the City Hall believe that a mighty effort has been started to defeat the project to build a filtration plant in connection with the City Waterworks. As yet the movement is in embryo, but there is no doubt that it has some backing outside of the Municipal Assembly. While there is no proof that the proposition to reduce the water rates is advanced to dispose of the filtration-plant plan, Water Commissioner Flad acknowledges that such would be the consequence.

At the meeting of the House of Delegates last night Chairman Hartmann announced that the Ways and Means Committee would convene at 9 o'clock next Friday morning in the House committee-room to hold a public hearing relative to the reduction of the water rates, the municipal lighting plant at the Waterworks and all matters heretofore entrusted to the committee, excepting the water rates in the city's hands.

Mr. Hartmann did not give any details concerning the origin of the water rates reduction scheme, nor did he signify who might be most anxious for such legislation to be enacted, although he requested that the announcement be made as public as possible. It is said by several city officials who are well informed on all municipal matters that the proposition to reduce the water rates has a sinister background, as the plan would serve as a popular guise to a plot to obstruct the endeavors of the Water Department in behalf of a municipal filtration plant.

Rumor attaches still another feature to the scheme. It has been asserted about the City Hall that certain members of the Municipal Assembly desire to have the fund now to the credit of Waterworks revenue diverted to municipal revenue in order to do the city, so far as convenient, over the breakers in the City Treasury. The law strictly forbids this perversion of the Waterworks revenue, and Auditor Mason declares that the Municipal Assembly cannot circumvent the legal clause. Water Commissioner Flad states that the proposition would have a dire effect, especially at this time, when the department has necessary and worthy improvements under consideration.

The pleasant aspect which it is sought to give the "reduction scheme" could make the proposition all the more dangerous, it is urged, inasmuch as it could be made to serve as a state to defeat the more popular plan for a filtration plant, and certain city officials are of the opinion that the reduction scheme is a device to obstruct the municipal ownership of public utilities.

HOUSE TRIES TO SHIFT BLAME.  
Not Satisfied With Varrelmann's Answer to Query.

The House of Delegates last night began a concerted fight on Street Commissioner Varrelmann's plan of Public Improvements in reference to street reconstruction which has not been completed or started.

Property owners and merchants, particularly those along Chouteau avenue between Market and Grand avenues, believe that they have a good case against either Mr. Varrelmann, the Board of Public Improvements, or the Board of Light and Police for delay in pursuing the work, but the onslaught made by the House is construed as a prearranged agreement to shift to other departments blame for shortcomings for which the Municipal Assembly is considered responsible in some degree.

Mr. Varrelmann, replying to a resolution presented last week by Delegate Helms and adopted by the House, enumerated street reconstruction now in progress, stating that the work would be completed by the end of the year, and that the delay in the work designated in the contracts. He wrote that the delay in the work, which prevented the raising of street car tracks and the back-laying of telegraph poles, necessitated the postponement of work for two and a half months; then a strike in the brickyards in Terre Haute, Ind., obliged another delay of six or eight weeks; and the strike of the granitoid workers compelled another delay.

When St. Louis was ready for work it developed that Chicago had purchased the output of brickyards in Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, and other neighboring States, and that the city of St. Louis was obliged to wait until the Chicago brick was delivered, so that the work might be carried out early in the spring. The best time for the work, he said, is in the latter part of April, May, June and the first part of July.

Mr. Kelly objected to the sense of the resolution, and declared that the House should not be satisfied with the answer given by the Board of Public Improvements. He declared that the House should not be satisfied with the answer given by the Board of Public Improvements. He declared that the House should not be satisfied with the answer given by the Board of Public Improvements.

WATERWORKS BILLS LAID OVER.

Council Railroad Committee to Take Up Switch Bills.

At the meeting of the City Council yesterday afternoon Chairman Vigiles announced that the Committee on Railroads would meet at 4 o'clock next Tuesday afternoon to consider the Shickel-Harrison bill, the Buck-Schoy and Hange bill, the Vigiles Ferry Company bill, and the Vigiles Ferry Company bill. The Council had concluded to adjourn for a week, dispensing with Friday's session.

Chairman Carroll of the Ways and Means Committee recommended the passage of bills, making additional appropriations for Waterworks extension and the Assessor and Collector of Water Rates.

In the House of Delegates Mr. Helms introduced a bill to permit the Washburn Railroad Company to construct a switch along Second street, from Talcott avenue, into the Washburn and Hange Company's yard, and to connect with the city's main line.

Resolutions were passed approving the widening of the Sullivan avenue and Sullivan avenues. Bills were passed authorizing the widening of Sullivan avenue and Sullivan avenues. Bills were passed authorizing the widening of Sullivan avenue and Sullivan avenues.

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Indiana Firm Bankrupt.  
Madison, Ind., Nov. 13.—Schmidt Bros., harness dealers, went into voluntary bankruptcy today. Assets, \$5,000; liabilities, \$6,000.

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## JAMES CAMPBELL SUES FOR \$272,000.

Broker Avers That the Union Depot Railway Company Did Not Keep Contracts With Him.

Broker James Campbell filed suit yesterday against the Union Depot Railway Company for \$272,000 damages for alleged breach of two contracts in regard to the sale of bonds.

It is asserted that the defendant agreed to deliver to the plaintiff bonds to the amount of \$272,000 and that there has been a failure of delivery of \$200,000 of the bonds. Mr. Campbell declares that because of the alleged failure of the delivery of the bonds he has been damaged in the amount sued for.

The suit was filed by Attorneys F. N. Judson and John H. Overall. The petition recites that on April 6, 1898, the Union Depot Railway Company, for the purpose of acquiring the property of the Mound City Railway Company and the Benton and Bellefontaine Railway Company, and building additions to its railroad plant, issued \$3,000,000 of bonds.

It was of this issue that the alleged contracts were made with Campbell. For \$200,000 of the bonds Mr. Campbell was to pay par value, and 95 per cent for the remainder. One of the contracts was for the delivery of the \$200,000 of bonds contracted for at par and some of these bonds, it is alleged, has been delivered to the plaintiff. On the other contract the failure to deliver 141 bonds of \$1,000 each is alleged.

At the time of the making of the contracts, there were outstanding \$1,000,000 of Union Depot Company bonds and \$200,000 of Mound City Company bonds and \$200,000 of Benton and Bellefontaine Company bonds.

It is alleged that of the outstanding bonds of the Union Depot Company at the time the alleged contracts were made \$200,000 worth matured in 1898, and the remainder October 1, 1899; that of the Mound City Company bonds, \$125,000 worth matured in 1898, and the remainder October 1, 1899, and the Benton and Bellefontaine Company bonds matured in 1896.

EXCITING HAWAIIAN CAMPAIGN.

Natives Take Kindly to Our Electioneering Methods.

Honolulu, Nov. 6, via San Francisco, Cal., Nov. 12.—The Hawaiian Islands leave this morning at daybreak, the first American election day in Hawaii. Last night closed a remarkable campaign. All three parties—the Republican, Democratic and Independent—held mass meetings and torchlight processions. Almost the whole population of the city was out, either to take part in the processions or to see them.

For a week several street corners of the city had been the scenes of almost continuous campaign meetings. Republican, Democratic and Independent orators alternated with or followed one another. The crowds sometimes cheered all speakers impartially and some refused to listen to any. On this last occasion the speakers' stand was toppled over, but native Hawaiian speakers climbed telephone poles and from this safe eminence kept up the flow of speechmaking.

Governor Dole has directed that the number of booths at each polling place shall be increased to a sufficient number to provide facilities for all voters.

John Cunningham Dead.  
Greenup, Ill., Nov. 13.—John Cunningham, editor of the Greenup Press, died this morning, aged 72. At three years of age he came with his parents from Kentucky when this country was a wilderness. He was prominently identified with Republican politics of this State.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.  
Washington, Nov. 12.—William J. Bryan has been appointed Postmaster at Moline, Mo., vice A. S. Haskins, deceased. The appointment was made this morning by the Postmaster General upon the petition of a number of residents in Franklin County, and upon the urgent recommendation of Representative Bartholomew.

The office is not a large one, belonging to the fourth class, but it carries with it a social distinction in the neighborhood and political prestige in the county. It pays less than \$1,000 per annum, the salary being limited by law. For the next 300 worth of stamps Mr. Bryan cancels he will get the entire amount; then of the next 200 he gets 50 per cent, and of the next 100 he gets 25 per cent, the entire salary for the quarter not to exceed \$1. The new Postmaster is a Republican of long standing.

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## POLICE ASKED TO FIND MRS. BURG.

She Left Baptist Sanitarium on Monday Shortly Before Husband Called to See Her.

Mrs. J. W. Burg of Burchard, Mo., left the Missouri Baptist Sanitarium, where she was a patient for the last two months, Monday morning, only a few minutes before her husband called to see her. She has not returned and as she did not notify any of the attendants of the place that she intended to be gone for some time, it is feared that she may have met with some mishap. Mr. Burg has asked the police to help him locate his wife.

Mr. Burg is a druggist at Burchard, Mo. He wrote his wife that he would be at the Sanitarium to see her Sunday. He was delayed a day and did not arrive in the city until Monday morning, when he went directly to the Sanitarium. The superintendent showed Mr. Burg upstairs to his wife's apartment, but Mrs. Burg was not there. Doctor Caldwell remembered that Mrs. Burg had gone out a short time before her husband arrived. Mr. Burg and Doctor Caldwell went out to search for her when she did not return at 12 o'clock, but were not successful. About two weeks ago Mrs. Burg left the institution and remained away for two days. When she returned she said that she had been stopping at Hotel Beers.

Remembering the incident Doctor Caldwell and Mr. Burg called at the hotel, and were told that Mrs. Burg had not been there. They then called at the Deere Street Police Station and asked assistance in the search.

Mrs. Burg is 35 years old, 5 feet 9 inches tall and weighs about 150 pounds. She has dark hair and blue eyes. She was attired in a dark tailor-made gown and a large black hat. Mrs. Burg for some time had been suffering from slight nervous trouble and went to the sanitarium for complete rest, rather than for treatment. Her ailment was not regarded as serious and she was at liberty to go and come when she pleased.

This is the third day of the CASH reduction SALE of DIAMONDS at Mermod & Jaccard's, BROADWAY & Locust. 20 PER CENT, ONE-FIFTH OFF on all diamonds and precious gems. Take advantage at once of this rare opportunity.

KYLE NOW A REPUBLICAN.

South Dakota Senator Elected by Fusion With Populists.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.  
Washington, Nov. 13.—Senator Kyle of South Dakota, who was re-elected to the Senate in 1897 by the combined votes of the Populists and Republicans, has been heretofore classified as an Independent, but has written the official compiler of the Congressional Directory that he wishes hereafter to be counted as a Republican. He would, he said, act with the Republicans in the future.

Senator Kyle is chairman of the Industrial Commission. For several years he has aligned himself with the Republicans in the Senate on many party measures, but has not participated in their caucuses.

In New Orleans.  
Drs. Francis and Francis, Specialists, who have been located in the Holland Building, have recently removed their offices to 30 Olive street, S. W. corner Eighth street. This is a particularly desirable location, and is brought about by the fact that their increasing practice demanded that they have more room. Former patients are please note the change in their address. These doctors have built up a large practice in their line, and are to be exceedingly successful in their treatment of diseases of men.

VALET JONES IN THE TOMBS.  
Removed From Bellevue Hospital in an Ambulance.

New York, Nov. 13.—Charles Jones, valet of the late William Rice, was removed from Bellevue Hospital in an ambulance today to the Tombs. He has been in the hospital since his attempt to commit suicide.

Cure Your Cold While You Can.  
It is not better to cure your cold while you can, in its incipency, rather than take the chances of its resulting in pneumonia, catarrh or consumption, all of which diseases begin with a cold and may be prevented without cost. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy can always be depended upon. It is pleasant and safe to take. —Advt.

MAX LASAR IS SENTENCED.  
Diamond Smuggler Fined \$500 and Sent to Jail.

Buffalo, N. Y., Nov. 13.—Max J. Lasar, the diamond smuggler, pleaded guilty in the United States Court this afternoon. He was fined \$500 and sent to the Erie County Jail for six months. He smuggled diamonds which were sold a few days ago for \$10,000.

CITY ITEMS.

THERE can be no clean, cozy, happy home without a "Steel Majestic Cooking Range," and there can be no excuse for the poorest family in the land being without one, seeing the possession of it is put within the reach of all by Crawford's people in their mild, go-day plan of need-not-be-fret payments; viz: A small payment on purchase, and the day after, these grand Majestic Ranges save their price on goods before the range has been paid for. You can save its price also in getting your four stoves a day, and taking to the pipe, and many other ways were the Boss only willing! Put up in shortest notice without charge for putting it up! Don't you want one? Do you if you have not one!

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Logger Killed at Work.  
Bikeston, Mo., Nov. 13.—Charles Johnson, a logger, employed at the Holly & Lecher Mill, two miles west of this city, was killed while unloading a huge log from his wagon early this morning.

Ex-U. S. Marshal Matthews.  
Writes to The Peruna Medicine Co., Columbus, Ohio, from Hazelhurst, Mo.: "I am happy to say that I am cured of catarrh and need no more attention from you. Peruna has in my case done all that you claim."

Commissioner of Deeds at St. Louis.  
REPUBLIC SPECIAL.  
Austin, Tex., Nov. 13.—Governor Sayers today appointed Charles D. Green to be Commissioner of Deeds for Texas at St. Louis.

"Boro-Formalin" (Elmer & Amend), a catarrh dressing for burns, sores, cuts, bruises or any similar accident or affliction.